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## ARREST IS NEAR IN MURDER OF GRAVES

Buffalo Police Chief Says Important Developments Are Due in Few Hours.

## QUIZ WELL KNOWN MEN

New Turn in Mysterious Slaying Follows Investigation of Reported Drinking Parties.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. BUFFALO, March 28.—A solution of the mysterious murder of Luther P. Graves, Yale graduate and former Captain in the Seventy-seventh Division, is within the grasp of the police, according to an announcement made to-night by James W. Higgins, chief of the department. In making the statement, the identity of the murderer will be known and his arrest made in a few hours, Chief Higgins was joined by Guy B. Moore, District Attorney.

"Very important developments will take place within the next thirty-six hours," they said. Society drinking orgies, reported to have been held in the most fashionable residential district of the city, have come under investigation as a result of the Graves murder. It became known today that in this connection it was explained that the police have not yet vacated the theory that Graves was killed by mistake for a man who closely resembled him and who has fallen in with a bootlegging gang.

Mayor George S. Buck, who has been following the progress of the investigation closely, issued a statement to-day in which he said that the murder was the outcome of the connivance of otherwise respectable persons with underworld characters engaged in illicit booze selling. It is now conceded generally that a contributing cause of the killing is the continuous demand of well-to-do residents for contraband liquor for private parties.

The case took a sensational turn to-day when Mr. Moore and Chief Higgins summoned more than a dozen leaders of the city's younger society set and questioned them closely. Those called to the District Attorney's office included sons of some of the best known professional and business men. What they had to tell, what was asked them and whether they were to be called later as witnesses at a trial could not be learned. It is understood that others were questioned in their homes.

Coincidentally with the announcement of new development looking toward the capture of the murderer, Sheriff William F. Vaden, made it known that running across the Niagara River is to be subjected to an investigation as a result of the work of city detectives.

He said he has questioned many bootleggers and that he has a list of customers to whom booze was brought by Roy G. Schindler, the murdered smuggler. The Sheriff said his list contains the names of many well-known residents.

**FAMILY TIES DRAWN CLOSER.**  
Wedding of Parents Is Followed by Union of Their Children.

Gaetano Accardi, 50, a widower, of 246 Thomas avenue, Lindenhurst, N. J., married Gaetano de Marco, 42, a widow, of 228 East 198th street, yesterday in the chapel of the Police Bureau at the Municipal Building.

Immediately after Gaetano and Gaetano had become one, Gaetano's twenty-year-old son, Angelo, married Gaetano's seventeen-year-old daughter, Rosa, and then all four went away to celebrate.

## DEATH BY GAS FOR CONVICTS IS MADE NEVADA STATE LAW

Sentence Will Be Carried Out at Secret Hour in Air-tight Cell, Lethal Gas Being Admitted by Valves While Prisoner Sleeps.

CARSON CITY, March 28.—The bill providing for the use of lethal gas in executing the death penalty in Nevada was signed here to-day by Gov. Boyle. The bill abolishes other forms of capital punishment in the State. Heretofore condemned men had the choice between hanging or shooting. Nevada is the first State to make gas the means of capital punishment. Under the new law the death warrant must designate a week within which the execution of sentence must take place. This week must be not less than sixty nor more than ninety days after the date of the judgment. The law calls for a suitable cell for inflicting the penalty, where gas is used, and provides that the warden, a competent physician and six other citizens must witness the execution.

The bill gives no details concerning the cell, but sponsors for the bill said it was understood it was intended that it should be airtight, fitted with windows of thick glass and equipped with valves to admit air. It was planned that when the condemned man should be asleep the air valves would be closed and others, admitting lethal gas, be opened, life being taken without the prisoner's awakening.

**HUBERT WORK FIRST ASSISTANT TO HAYS**  
Colorado Medic Won Rank of Colonel in World War.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Hubert Work, president of the American Medical Association and former Republican National Committee member from Colorado, was given a recess appointment by President Harding to-day as First Assistant Postmaster-General.

Dr. Work formerly was president of the American Medical-Psychological Society and a member of the Colorado State Board of Health and of Medical Examiners. In 1919 he was Republican State Chairman of Colorado. During the war he held a commission in the Medical Corps of the army and rose to the rank of Colonel.

Dr. Work succeeds John C. Koonce, who will continue as postal expert of the Department and work with the joint Congressional Commission on Postal Service. Postmaster-General Hays said to-day he intended to bring Congressional Post Office committees into closer cooperation with the Department, regarding them analogous to directors in any large corporation. The joint commission and its advisory council of business men would act as an executive committee, he added.

The name of Alexander McCabe of San Francisco is understood to be under consideration for appointment to one of the two Assistant Postmaster-Generalships yet to be filled.

**AUTOMOBILE DETECTIVE PLEADS NOT GUILTY**  
Charged With Taking Unlawful Fees, Bail Is Continued.

Former Detective John Fitzpatrick, who was indicted Thursday charged with taking unlawful fees as rewards for recovering stolen automobiles, pleaded not guilty to the indictments before Judge Thomas C. T. Crain in General Sessions yesterday. His bail of \$2,500 was continued. Fitzpatrick was the former head of the police automobile squad.

Indictments charge Fitzpatrick with taking a fee of \$100 on September 28, 1920, and a fee of \$25 on May 3, 1921, for recovering automobiles and failing to turn the money over to the proper authorities for its disposition in the police relief and pension funds, as required by the city charter.



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## WOMAN, BITTER AT STILLMAN, TO TALK

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Nissel and Cornelius J. Sullivan, Mr. Stillman's lawyers. There is now ample reason to believe that the much discussed letters and affidavits being perused by Justice Morshauser will not be turned over for public consumption. The papers will not be made public at White Plains, at any rate. This means, however, that the public will not be able to see the gist of all the submitted evidence.

For reasons he considers sufficient, the County Clerk of Westchester will stand on Section 76 of Parson's Code of Civil Procedure, which prohibits him from making public any documents in such a case without "special order of the court." This section of the code particularly specifies that testimony in such cases may not be made public. There is no testimony in the documents now under the Justice's observation. There are, however, the pleadings, which include the so-called hysterical confession letter written by Mrs. Stillman to her husband in 1918. And all the affidavits are included in the matter in the court's possession. Furthermore, the Justice is considering Mrs. Stillman's original answer along with the other papers.

That the alleged excerpts from the record of the first hearing before Referee Gleason were not only somewhat inaccurate but that had the so-called testimony gone into cross-examination it would have been shown that two of the witnesses imported from Canada were completely routed when cross-examined, their stories upset and the witnesses so discredited that the referee declared their stories quite worthless, was stated yesterday on what is believed to be utterly reliable authority.

Mr. Gleason, who besides being the referee in this case is the Surrogate of Dutchess county, said yesterday that he would be entirely agreeable to making public a transcript of the entire hearing held last December provided the lawyers felt the same was about it. He said that he saw no breach of ethics in either side giving the testimony for publication. Then he added that the future hearings would not be open to the public unless both sides agreed to it. If only one side made the request, he said, he would take the matter under consideration.

The first official statement of any consequence made in the Stillman case was issued yesterday by John E. Mack, guardian ad litem for Guy Stillman, the younger whose legal status is at stake. The statement reads: "I have read very carefully the published alleged excerpts purporting to be from the minutes of the testimony and can unhesitatingly state that it did not come from any of the attorneys in the case. This also applies to the referee and the official stenographer."

"In my opinion the alleged testimony was constructed from reported interviews with the witnesses in Canada. Any one who ever heard the testimony or read the stenographers' minutes would know it was not taken from those minutes."

When Justice Morshauser was told last night that Charles Decker, clerk of Westchester Court, had declared that he would not permit the public to see the papers in the Stillman case after the Justice had filed them with him, he said: "I shall turn over my opinion and all the documents to Mr. Decker when I have reached my decision. After that the disposition of these papers is up to him. I know, of course, that there is such a rule in the code of civil procedure as he cites. If he intends enforcing it, why that is up to him, of course."

## TWO PLANES OFF TO-DAY TO THE VIRGIN ISLANDS

Marine Corps Pilots to Map 2,759 Mile Route. WASHINGTON, March 28.—Two airplanes piloted by Marine Corps personnel will leave Bolling Field here to-morrow morning for a 2,759 mile flight to St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, as a demonstration of the adaptability of land type aircraft for combination land and water flying and to map the route. The flight will be made by easy stages and no effort will be made to establish a speed record.

Major T. C. Turner, commanding the expedition, and Lieut. R. G. Bradley will be in the first plane, and Lieut. L. H. Sanderson and Gunner Sergeant C. W. Rucker in the second. Stops will be made at Fajetaville, N. C.; Paris Island, S. C.; Daytona, Fla.; Miami, Fla.; Havana, Cuba; Camaguey, Cuba; Guantanamo, Cuba; Fort au Prince, Hayti; Santo Domingo City, Dominican Republic; San Juan, P. R., and St. Thomas, V. I.

**LYONS-MILLER BREAK DENIED.**  
Secretary of State Hopes to Retain Automobile Bureau.

Special Dispatch to THE NEW YORK HERALD. Albany, March 28.—

John J. Lyons, Secretary of State, is still hopeful of retaining the State Automobile Bureau, which under a bill passed by both houses of the Legislature is to be consolidated with other tax collecting agencies under the reorganized tax commission. He said to-day that he has reason to believe that Gov. Miller does not agree with the measure so far as it affects the automobile bureau.

Mr. Lyons denied that he had any intention of becoming an independent Republican nominee for Mayor of New York next fall because of bad feeling resulting from taking the automobile bureau away from him. He said that he and Gov. Miller were on the friendliest terms.

## WEALTHY CUBAN A SUICIDE.

Joseph Lopez Rodriguez Hangs Himself in Havana.

HAVANA, March 28.—Joseph Lopez Rodriguez, a leading financier and multimillionaire, committed suicide at his home here to-day by hanging. Senior Rodriguez was credited with having been a heavy loser as a result of the financial crisis in Cuba.

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